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Group Art Unit: 3653

Title: SHEET TRANSFER APPARATUS

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

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() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
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| INDEP. CLAIMS | | MINUS | | = 0 | X \$200 | \$ 0 |
| [] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | + \$360 | \$ 0 |
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Respectfully submitted,

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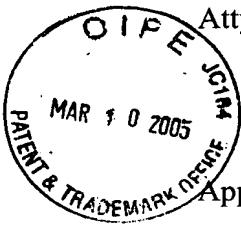
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This reply is in response to the Office Action mailed February 9, 2005, in which a restriction requirement was imposed upon Claims 1-29 of the present application. In particular, the Office Action asserted in the present Application asserts two distinct inventions: Group I, Claims 1-25, and Group II, Claims 26-29. Applicants respectfully note that Claims 1-25 are drawn to a sheet transfer apparatus while Claims 26-29 are drawn to a method for transferring a media sheet. Applicants hereby elect without traverse the invention of Group I: Claims 1-25 drawn to a sheet transfer apparatus.

Claims 1-25 are presented for consideration and allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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